in an open boat. of these on making land came to London and straight to the per office with his story of how seen the ship go down before That young man had witnessmost terrible contention between vers of fire and water for the deon of that ship and of every one d. He had rowed away among ting dyivig and the sinking dead. floated by day, and he had fronight, with no shelter and no nd as he told his dismal tale he is haggard eyes about the room. en he had finished and the tale noted down from his lips, he ered and refreshed and soothed ed if anything could be done Even within him that master was so strong that he immediolied that he should like an orhe play. My friend, the editor, thought that was rather a ase, but he said that during his ars of experience he had witincurable amount of self prosand abasement having no other d that almost invariably on the people who could well afford to Exchange.

Hardy Climbing Roses.

prairie rose we have a class of tive climbing roses often found wild in Michigan and the wests, which we may plant with ce. Two of the more commonly oses of this class, which are faeverywhere on account of their s, free blooming, and the fact of vers appearing just after the ieties are nearly over, are Queen rairie and Baltimore Belle, varied in the year 1843 by a rose named Feast, in Baltimore, from the wild prairie rose crossed e European variety. These two, ner red and the latter white, own near each other on the same with intertwining branches, each other's beauty by con-Both are of rapid growth and employed to advantage for covy unsightly objects as walls, old buildings, etc. Among the rable roses of the pratrie class Annie Maria, vigorous, pale few thorns; Baltimore Belle, sh, changing to white; Gem of irie, free, believed to be from the Prairies crossed with Mme. rosy red, occasionally blotched ite, large, flat flowers, slightly Queen of the Prairies, vigorred, frequently with a white nedium or large size, double, forge, five leaflets, quite serrated; ant, vigorous, rosy pink, me-

April Fool Day.

e, double or full, distinct, seven

ecommon. —Cleveland Leader

stom of sending one on a bootad or otherwise "April fooling" e first day of April is very anet it cannot truthfully be said one is equal to the task of tracits origin. Some antiquarians believe it a survival of the f sending the Saviour hither er, first from Annas to Caiathen to Pilate and Herod. This s strengthened by the fact that e middle ages that very scene s life was made the subject of Easter "Miracle Plays" enactchief streets of London and iglish cities of the first class. ough the above opinion has rehe sanction of Brande, Moore , it is not at all unlikely that ly a relic of some old heathen such as the Huli festival of the or the Roman "feast of fools." om, whatever its origin, of ricks and pranks of all kinds st day of this month is univerghout Europe and is also pracmany other countries and unus names. It is a curious fact Hindoo Huli festival, where ol tricks of all sorts are played, the night of the 31st of March, rgies are not discontinued unon the morning of April 1.— Republic.

of That Sparrows Can Count. is no doubt but that birds can nd an incident I witnessed sevirs ago illustrating this fact me not a little. A sparrow, with er young, had a nest in a spare under the veranda of my One day the old bird flew up

est with four living worms in The four little birds reached heads with the customary were each fed a worm. The hen flew away, and after a time again with four worms in her tich were disposed of as before. kept this up for some time, hich I was an interested spec-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

ortant Information For Girls.

eyed men are the most sentif the species. At least this is eminent physiognomist says. peculiarly susceptible to the of the opposite sex, melt under ath of one ardent glance, have , mercurial affections and are the coquettes to be easier game | a man. None of your

OLD SCOTCH SUPERSTITIONS.

The Many Absurdities That Clong Boomel the Ceremony of Baptism.

Thus on the birth of a child-to be gin at the beginning-it was importative that both the nather and bala should be "sained -that is, a bream dle was carried thrace round the bod, and a Bible, with a bannock or sume bread and cheese, was placed under the pilles and a kind of blessing multiped -to propitiate the "great period Sometimes a fir candle was set ob the bed to keep them off. If the newleque showed any symptom of fractions-mosit was supposed to be a changeling, and to test the truth of this supposition time child was placed suddenly before a post fire, when, if really a change line, it made its escape by the "long," prelimney, throwing back words of scorn as it disappeared. There was much repersess to get the balm baptized lest it should be stolen by the fairies. If it died unchristened, it wandered in wants and solitary places, lamenting its melancholy fate, and was often to be seek

Such children were called "tarans, Allan Ramsay, in his "Gentle Shapherd," describing Manse, the watch, says of her:

At midnight hours o'er the kirkyard she rates nd houks unchristened weaths out yo have graves.

It was considered a sure sign of all fortune to mention the name of an "tanchristened wean," and even at baption the name was usually written on a slip of paper, which was handed to the offi ciating minister, that he might be 11h first to pronounce it. Great care was taken that the baptismal water should not enter the infant's eyes, not because such a mishap might result in warting loud and long, but because the station as future life, wherever he went and what ever he did, would constantly be veve by the presence of wraiths and species If the babe kept quiet fluring the conmony, the gossips mourned over it as destined to a short life and perhaps not a merry one; hence, to extort a cry, the woman who received it from the father would handle it roughly or even pinet

If a male child and a female child were baptized together, it was held to be most important that the former should have precedence. And why? In the "Statistical Account of Scotland," the minister of an Orcandian parish ex plains: "Within the last seven years he had been twice interrupted in admiring tering baptism to a female child be local a male child, who was baptized immediately after. When the service was over, he was gravely told he had done very wrong, for, if the female child was first baptized, she would, on coming to the years of discretion, most certainly have a strong beard, and the bay would have none."-All the Year Round.

A Motto at a Funeral.

There are women who, if offered the choice between a matinge and a funeral. will poll a tremendous vote in favor of the funeral. The dramatic opportunity is only a negative pleasure—the trappings of woe are a positive sensation.

There is a story told that a good though eccentric dame long since gathered to her accounting, in whom this passion was abnormally developed, arrived in town from her country place one day on a shopping expedition. This lady heard of the death of a mere acquaintance and learned that if she hurried to the house she would be just in time for the funeral services. Shopping, as compared with mourning, had no charms, and the lady hastened to the house of sorrow. Now the constant traveling companion of this good woman was a brown linen atrocity in the nature of a handbag or roll. Upon this bag, embroidered in large letters by the misguided person from whom it was a gift, was a motto. Arrived at the house, our friend insisted upon having a seat as near the casket as was possible, and that achieved she placed the brown linen structure across her lap, then settled herself with a sigh of satisfaction. The letters upon the bag, held within a few feet of the deceased lady and visible to all the mourners, spelled the words, "Bon voyage."-New York Recorder.

Rosa Marise.

The rose of Jericho, a plant with which many superstitions are connected, is called Rosa Maria, or Mary's flower. It is a small, bushy, herbaceous plant about six inches high, of the natural order crucifermae, which grows in the sandy deserts of Arabia and Palestine and bears small white flower on many branches. When its leaves fall, the branches contract toward the center and coil themselves inward and interlace like a ball of wickerwork, which is blown about from place to place. When it happens to fall into water, it uncoils, and its pods open and let out the send If a specimen is taken before it is quite withered, it will retain the property of contracting in drought and expanding in moisture for years. Its generic name -nastatica-signifies this seeming resurrection to new life. - Brooklyn Eagle

The Dimple Making Machine. The woman who must have dimples or die has only to invest in the dimple producing machine, which an English paper says has been invented and patented by a woman with an eye for beauty and with a speculative turn of mind. She, of all others, ought to be rewarded with one or more of these fetching marks of beauty, providing she can endure the torture of her own device, which is a kind of mask arranged with screws and wooden points that press upon the cheeks or chin where the dimples ought to be. This is worn at night, but just how long it must be applied to produce the desired impression is not said. - New York Sun.

She Was Particular.

Carrie Constant-So you've the your new admirer overboard? Gertie Gaygirl-You bet. Just -.. as I learned he was a dairy more What had that to do with

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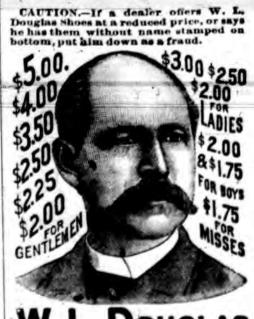
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